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News and Notes

EDITORIAL NOTE

Many young people are confirmed on Palm Sunday, and others will be confirmed from now till Pentecost. There is something very festive and promising over a group of young people about the altar solemnly taking the confirmation vow.

These confirmands are the future of the church. They need our prayers and our interest.

They should be faithful in the Bible classes, and they should be encouraged to attend and work in the Luther League.

In other words, we like to help them keep their promise to God.

This work of the church is often discussed, and for this reason we have asked a group of pastors to write a symposium on young people's work. We print half of the articles in this issue. We had asked ten men, and we had limited them to shorter articles than you find in the paper. But the men wrote with such enthusiasm and at such length that we are compelled to print the other articles later.

We asked the pastors to write to let their hair down and we suggested that we print the articles anonymously. We just say Pastor A.B.C. etc. Pages 6-7-8-9 in each issue.

Let us hasten to say that the articles are written by men of all ages and from all parts of the country.

You will be happy for the general tone of the articles. There is a genuine interest among our pastors for the young people.

You may be surprised that most of the articles seem to indicate that the work among the young people is simply first class. Things are going fine according to the articles.

We shall print the other articles in a later issue.

Iowa W.M.S. Circuit No. 2 rally will be held at Nazareth Lutheran Church, Marcus, Iowa, April 25. Registration will begin at 1:30 P.M., Mrs. Hans Rasmussen is the leader. Those who plan to attend should make reservation. Write to Mrs. Kenneth Pallesen, Marcus, Iowa, or Pastor J.H. Petersen, Marcus, Iowa.

Sidney, Montana. Pastor and Mrs. P. C. Jensen plan to leave for their home in Blair soon after Easter. It has been a wonderful experience to have them in Sidney again. They have served during the vacancy.

Our new pastor, Rev. Stanley Larsen, will be installed on May 5. Lutheran Colleges were represented at our high school when the Juniors and Seniors from eight neighboring schools joined for a College and Career day. We felt this gave a fine opportunity to present Dana and other Lutheran Colleges.

Mr. and Mrs. Jens Jensen celebrated their golden wedding anniversary on March 20. They were honored at the church by a large gathering of friends. Mr. and Mrs. Jensen have the unique honor of being charter members of both Pella and Brorson congregations.

There are two other living charter members of Pella. They are Mrs. Marie Sorensen and Mrs. Anton Anderson.

The history of our congregation is being prepared for publication as we will celebrate our 50th anniversary in 1958.

HARTLAND, WIS. TO CELEBRATE 90th BIRTHDAY

The second oldest congregation of our Synod, Our Savior's Lutheran Church, Hartland, Wisconsin will celebrate its 90th Anniversary on May 2, 3, and 5. Every effort is being made to contact all former members with an invitation to join in the three-day festivities.

Dr. Clifford Madsen, president of Dana College, will be guest speaker at the Sunday morning anniversary worship service. A thank-offering will be given on that day to the Lord for 90 golden years of blessing and in memory of loved ones whose faith and loving sacrifice have built the church. With this offering the congregation will purchase a 5½ acre tract just north of the village for future relocation and expansion to better serve God in this growing community.

Another highlight of the celebration will be the return of two of the sons of the congregation, Pastor Robert

Sorensen and Pastor Richard H. both of whom are now serving congregations in Minnesota. Together with former pastors, Aaron Christensen, and Pastor Vald Hansen will complete the list of speakers. It is hoped that Johan Olsen (E.L.C.) who served the congregation for awhile, and Pastor Krogh, who made his first home in Hartland when he came from Denmark, will be able to be with us.

The festivities will open on Friday evening with a solemn service of Holy Communion. Friday evening will be Christian fellowship night, with a concert by our choir, and view slides made from pictures taken during the congregation's activities over the 90 years. A special feature of the service will be special music by a choir of all former choir members present.

An anniversary banquet was served Sunday noon at the new school at which time the results of the thank-offering will be announced. If the goal is reached, the mortgage on the old church will be burned and the congregation will proceed to the new site for a service of consecration and ground-breaking for a new parsonage to be built this fall and summer.

Anyone planning to attend should drop a note to Mr. Carl Benrud, 1, Hartland.

Carl W.

Froid, Montana. Pastor Alfred Andersen resigned in January and left our midst the first of April. A farewell party was held for him and Mrs. Andersen shortly after their departure which concluded 25 years of service in our congregation. Pastor and Mrs. Theo M. Hansen arrived here in time to take charge of our service on the first Sunday in September.

A farewell party was held, September 4, for Mr. and Mrs. Max Anderson who left to make their home in Bridger, Montana.

The congregation celebrated its Harvest Festival Sept. 2 during Sunday morning services with Pastor Hansen as liturgist. An altar of fruit, vegetables and flowers had been arranged. During the noon hour, the annual birthday dinner was held, at which time

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Morning

By Pastor Allan D. Hansen

On the first Easter morning, while still dark, we see a young woman in the shadows. She is making her way to the garden in which there is the new tomb, where Jesus had been

ordinarily Mary Magdala would be delighted by the chirping and songs of the birds who are awakening with the early dawn, but she seems unconscious of them this morning. The fragrant and delicate little flowers that would ordinarily catch her attention are not even to be noticed.

Once before her whole life had been filled with disillusion and disgust, but Christ had cleansed her and again kindled the flame of purity and love, and now on this morning she's again confused and disillusioned. She realizes the profound fact that if she has lost Christ she has lost everything.

She stops suddenly for she notices that the stone has been rolled away from the tomb. Something has happened! What God himself had foretold, what the Old Testament prophets had written about, and what Jesus himself had said His disciples would take place, has now happened. The new day has dawned. Christ has arisen from the dead.

As soon as Mary sees the stone rolled away, she runs and tells Simon Peter and John, who in turn come and see the empty tomb, the linen cloth and napkin. Even after their return to their homes Mary remains. Here she is reminded of the vision of the two angels in the tomb and the glorious of all, Christ himself reveals himself to her. She falls at his feet in adoration and thanksgiving. Her tears of sorrow become tears of joy, for wherever Jesus is there is life and joy.

But it was Easter morning for Mary but it was also Easter morning for the chief priests and the elders. The scribes had told them about the earthquake, and the angel's countenance was like lightning and raiment white as snow. It was also Easter morning for Caiaphas, for Pilate, for Herod, and for the crowd, but what a different Easter morning it was for them. It was the difference between light and darkness. It was as the difference between life and death. The leaders and the crowd refused to honor Christ, to obey Him, or to accept Him as King. Yet that didn't dethrone Jesus, or depose Him. It was not He who was deposed. He reigns on eternally. That only made them traitors and rebels. The rejected Christ is He that says "I am He that liveth and die; and behold, I am alive for evermore, Amen; and will give you the keys of hell and death." He is Lord of lords, King of kings; and He shall reign forever and ever. When Christ was lost for them, then all was lost.

It was also Easter morning for the disciples. It was the great event of the resurrection that made the complete change in their attitude. It melted away their timidity and



fears. It made them courageous, bold and enthused. From now on the theme of the resurrection was the core of their message. Later on when Peter and John were asked through what name they caused the lame man to walk they replied, "In the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, whom you crucified, whom God raised from the dead. By Him this man is standing before you well."

The good news of the resurrection bound the followers of Christ together in a body. Belonging to Christ they now belonged to each other. Possessing eternal life they could not remain apart. Sharing His life made them one with each other. Their hearts were bound together. This love of one another was to be one of the marks of their having the possession of everlasting life. As Holy Scripture says: "We know we have passed from death to life because we love the brethren." It was this tie that binds that was the cord that tied the followers of Christ together, forming the first Christian church. It was this binding of Christian hearts together that would make Christians closer to one another than even blood relations. It was this tie that binds that would surmount race, denomination and color. Belonging now to Christ they and all future followers would forever belong to one another.

It's also Easter for us who live in this year of 1957. "If ye then be risen with Christ, seek those things which are above." On this Easter countless hundreds of thousands have abdicated the throne of their wills and have invited the living Christ to ascend that throne and acknowledge Him as their king. They will to have His will their will. As the eagle is made for the air, the fish for the swift currents of water, and the sunflower for the life-giving rays of the sun, so they realize they were made for fellowship with God through Christ, which is the greatest experience that any man can experience. Wordly thrills and excitement are insipid, dull and tasteless in comparison. Jesus says, "I came that they might have life and have it abundantly." When we dwell with Him and in Him then we are truly living and our souls sing.

So then, we Christians at this Easter praise and worship our Christ with thanksgiving, knowing that He has abolished death and brought life and immortality to light.

NEWS AND NOTES

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older members were honored at a special table. Several guests were in attendance, among whom was Mrs. Peder Hansen, over ninety years of age, and daughter, Mrs. Andrew Lund and Mr. Lund who are former members of the congregation and now of Sidney. The oldest member present was Mrs. Soren Larsen. During the afternoon a short program was given to welcome Pastor and Mrs. Hansen, with Mrs. Edwin Salvevold in charge. Gerald Olsen spoke a few words of welcome, Immanuel Larsen conducted devotions and a duet, "The Secret Place of Prayer," was sung by Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Thomsen accompanied by Mrs. Julius Grele. Pastor and Mrs. Hansen responded with words of appreciation.

Installation services for Pastor Hansen were conducted Sunday, September 9, by Pastor Edwin W. Petrusson of Kenmare, N. D., president of the North Dakota-Montana District. Messages were given by both Pastor Hansen and Pastor Petrusson.

Two of our local young men were married this fall—Robert Larsen, son of Mr. and Mrs. Willie Larsen, to Annetta Cox, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Cox of Tuscola, Illinois—Clifford Gilbertson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Peter Gilbertson, to Dorothy Johnson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Chester Johnson of Bainville, Montana. The Larsen-Cox vows were solemnized in Ebenezer, and the Gilbertson-Johnson wedding took place in the First Lutheran Church in Bainville.

The Sunday School of Ebenezer church held its promotion day exercises on Sunday October 7. During the regular Sunday School services, a special offering was given by the children for their mission project in Africa—the sponsoring of two native children. A program was given in the evening with Mr. and Mrs. Philip Sunwall of Froid as principal speakers.

Pastor and Mrs. Hansen accompanied Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Thomsen to Calgary, Alberta where they attended the 25th anniversary of the building of Sharon Lutheran Church—a former charge of Pastor Hansen. Pastor Jerrold Elling, the present minister of Sharon, served Ebenezer in the early 40's.

The Ladies Aid held its annual business meeting in November. Mrs. Edwin Salvevold was re-elected president, Mrs. Clifford Thomsen—vice-president, Mrs. Glen Larsen—secretary, and Mrs. Tom Nielsen—treasurer. The annual receipts were distributed with \$120 for a native worker in the Sudan Mission and \$155 distributed among the American Bible Society, the Old

People's Homes, Children's Homes, foreign missions and Danish Seaman's Missions. Money for five Care packages was also sent. A Silver Anniversary offering was taken and sent to the Synodical WMS. The sum distributed was smaller than usual, due to the fact, we have just completed an extensive remodeling project in our church parlor's kitchen. The aid also conducted a fall clothing drive as usual.

A group of men gathered in the church parlors, November 14, to organize the men of the church. Gerald Olsen was elected chairman and Edward Jensen, secretary and treasurer. The purpose of the group is to keep posted on the problems of the church and for Christian Fellowship.

Evangelistic Meetings were conducted here the first week in November, with Pastor Immanuel Johansen of Redvers, Sask. as guest speaker.

DISTRICT PRESIDENTS MEET

The district presidents of the three merging churches, the A.L.C., the E.L.C. and the U.E.L.C. and the three home mission boards of these bodies met at Blair, Nebraska, April 8-11. The object of these meetings was to discuss the problems of the new church as these two groups view them. This is in line with all the meetings held by the boards and committees of the three churches held this first part of 1957. They go over their particular problems on the basis of the union documents. They may then send suggestions to the Joint Union Committee for further study. These meetings are

important. It is the beginning three rivers joining into one stream.

There were some 80 men present at these meetings. Dana College, LL an Publishing House and the Lutheran Church did a splendid job in taking care of them. Mrs. W. Larsen had taken care of the local part. A festive banquet was held Monday night. All in all we believe these were good days both for us and for the other bodies.

A TRIBUTE TO THE LATE HANS H. HOLM

By President Theo. I. Jensen
Trinity Seminary

The Ansgar Lutheran recently received the announcement that Trinity Seminary is the recipient of a testamentary gift from the estate of the late Hans H. Holm of Westport, Maine. A sum of \$21,600.00 has been received.

I was not personally acquainted with Mr. Holm; in fact so far as I know, I never met him. Nevertheless I feel impelled to write a few paragraphs to express a sense of thankfulness for this magnificent gift to the seminary of our church and to pay tribute to the person to whose generosity we received it. It is of more than passing significance that a layman in our church should thus remember our theological heritage when he was writing his last will and testament!

A friend of Mr. Holm sent me notes on his life, which I am now to pass on to the members of our church. He was born in Bjerkedal, Norway.

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SYNOD GAINS FOUR PER CENT IN BAPTIZED MEMBERSHIP

Pastor P. C. Jensen, synodical statistician has just released his figures for 1956. He reports a baptized membership of 62,250 as over against 59,832 in 1955. This is about 4 per cent gain.

The current and extra expenditures show a gain of about \$135,000. Benevolences and missions are not included in these figures.

Comparing the district figures with

District	Bap- tized	Con- tized	firmed
Atlantic	2,306	1,429	
Illinois	3,231	2,024	
Wisconsin	12,313	7,602	
Minnesota	7,347	4,867	
Iowa	15,266	9,320	
No. Dak.-Mont.	2,521	1,730	
Nebraska	7,483	4,752	
Pacific	9,741	5,822	
W. Canada	2,042	1,180	
Total for Synod	62,250	38,726	

those of 1955 it seems as if for the districts, Atlantic, Illinois, Minnesota and North Dakota-Montana there has been shown a slight loss in membership. The five other districts have gained.

It should be noted that nine congregations have not reported and the figures of 1955 are used for them. But these nine congregations will change the picture very much.

Here are the figures district by district.

District	Current	Expenditures
Atlantic	\$ 56,294	\$
Illinois	83,407	
Wisconsin	186,264	4
Minnesota	144,056	
Iowa	277,021	
N. D.-Montana ..	43,359	
Nebraska	186,908	2
Pacific	256,025	
W. Canada	54,656	
Total for Synod ..	\$1,287,990	\$

ou Shalt Arise

By the late Georgia A. Merry

It did that Easter morning mean
to Him?
Think of it—oh, often—and am
glad.
Earthly lifetime past, its grief
and pain,
With all the sure temptations that
He had.
Beautiful it must have been to
Him,
Over the dusty roadways He had
known;
Strangely sweet the garden
flowers were,
How cool and colorful the dawn
light shone!
Morning of the earth means
more to men
On Easter morning—but it takes
my breath
Think what that first Easter must
have been
One, new-risen, after days of
death."

He was born in the meridian of
and for a few short years He
the dusty paths of Galilee on
mission of love to a lost world.
Walked the weary ways of life
He might know all the ills of
and lead them "up to the gates
of life." Then, after the greatest
struggle ever fought and won, He
died out in the effulgent glory of
the first Easter morn, conqueror
of death and the grave.

But Job asks the question, "If a
man die, shall he live again?" All
around us we see evidences of resur-
rection in the realm of nature. And
if God touches the buried acorn and
makes it spring into new life at the
voice of springtime, will He leave
neglected in the earth the soul or
body of man who was made in the
image of his Creator?

If He stoops to give the withered
rosebush the sweet assurance of
another spring, will He withhold
words of hope from the sons of
men when the winter of death over-
takes them?

"If matter mute and inanimate,
though changed by the forces of
nature, can never die, will the im-
perial spirit of man suffer annihila-
tion after it has paid a brief visit,
like a royal guest, to its tenement of
clay?"

"The seed buried beneath the
earth
Starts from its dusty bed,
Responsive to the voice of spring,
And covers mead and mountain,
Field and forest, with its life.
Myriads of creatures, too, that lay
As dead as dust on every foot of
ground,
Touched by the vernal ray,
Spring from their little graves and
sport
On beautiful wings in fields of sun-

nied air,
Shall this be so? shall plants and
worms
Come forth to life again?
And, oh, shall men descend
Into the grave to rise no more?
Shall he, the master of this world,
Image and offspring of the fountal
life,
Through endless ages sleep in dust?"

Let Job answer his own question,
"Yet in my flesh shall I see God."
Not only through nature but through
divine revelation we have the pro-
mise of a resurrection from the
dead. Christ became "the firstfruits
of them that slept." He arose again,
and because He lives, we shall live
also.

Then rejoice, O righteous dead,
who sleep in the dust! For He who
within Himself had the power to
rise from His rock-sealed tomb soon
shall call thee from thine humble
bed, changed in a moment to glor-
ious immortality, "when he shall
snatch his bride away." Rejoice, O
wayworn pilgrim; let not thy feet
grow heavy on thine upward way.
"Keep that peace, which is the
Christian's charm," treasured in thy
breast, and thy face heavenward, for
thy redemption draweth nigh.

Let this glad Easter ring through
thy soul in notes of triumphant
praise; for after "the weary march
of time" come eternal joys sublime,
"when this mortal shall have put
on immortality, and death is swal-
lowed up in victory."

—The Free Methodist

Eternal Life

By S. P. Crouch



Life knows no bond:
The germ enclosed in hardened
shell,
The soul in finite prison cell
Burst through the fetters that repel
To life beyond.

Life knows no end:
Within a kind environment
The mighty forces in it pent
Preserve their strength through in-
crement
And fruitage trend.

Life knows no grave:
What tokens its extinction here
And seems to limit its career
Translates it to a broader sphere,
Its powers to save.

Life still shall be
When Time with age becoming hoar
Shall henceforth reckoned be no
more,
Continued on a deathless shore
Eternally.



North Hollywood Celebrates 10th Anniversary

Valley Lutheran Started in a Tent

Valley Lutheran Church will celebrate its tenth anniversary April 28 to May 1. From a humble beginning, it has grown to its present membership of 879 baptized members, thanks to the untiring and enthusiastic efforts of many people and the grace of God.

Valley Lutheran Church had its beginning when Olivet Lutheran Church of Los Angeles decided to sponsor a mission in North Hollywood. Pastors were hard to get after the war. But the Lord provided one in the person of Edwin W. Petrusson, Lutheran Service Pastor at Salinas, California. Four lots on the corner of Tujunga and Valerio Street were purchased for the erection of the parsonage and future church. Money had to be raised to buy the lots, \$6,500. Again the Lord provided. Olivet Congregation had a dinner on May 26, 1946, and \$6,300 was subscribed on the spot.

Finally, the ground-breaking was held on the morning of July 23, 1946, Pastors Petrusson and Robertson officiating. Six months later, the new pastor and family moved into the beautiful new parsonage.

Started in a Tent

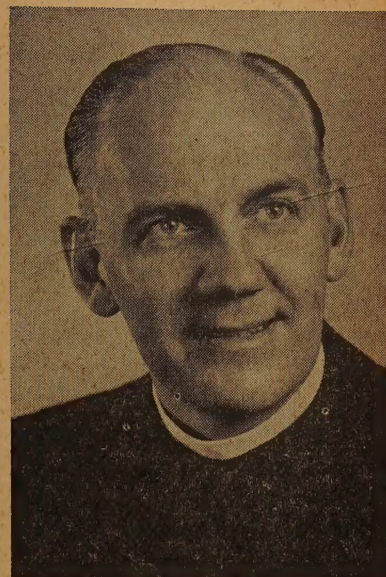
But then there was the matter of a meeting place. Further building was impossible at the moment. The mission committee purchased a large tent, surmounted by a cross, and set up the tent around a wooden frame. After purchasing an altar, chairs, hymn books, etc., they were ready for services. The money for the equipment came as another gift from the Pacific District. In the meantime, Olivet's original gift of \$6,500 had swelled to a grand final total of \$9,625.05. All these things had happened in seven months.



Rev. Adolph Kloth, Pastor
of Valley Lutheran



The Rev. Edwin
Petrusson



The Rev. H. Milton Petersen

At this point in our history, our tenth anniversary, we give our heartfelt thanks to all those who so helpfully planted the church in our midst.

Already in March of 1947, it was obvious the congregation had grown out of the tent, so a building committee was appointed. At first the meetings of this committee seemed hopeless. But then the Holy Spirit came through these men and the necessary means came from here and from there. October 12th was set as ground-breaking day, and what a happy day it was. After many hours of work and sacrifice, the building was ready to be used the first Sunday of June, 1948. The end of the year of 1950 brought a shock to the congregation: the parsonage family felt called of God to move to another field. Pastor Petrusson preached his farewell sermon on December 24, 1950. On the happy occasion of our tenth anniversary, we wish to thank the Petrussons sincerely for the time they spent with Valley Lutheran.

New Church Built

The present minister, Pastor Adolph Kloth, was installed by District president Robertson on the afternoon of February 25th, 1951. During that year, several new developments took place: a Family Service with Church classes took the place of the old worship and

class arrangement of the Sunday School with very gratifying results, and "The Valley Lutheran", a monthly paper, appeared for the first time in March, 1951.

The big dream of all our members was to add the main Church building and it was towards this hope that a Building Fund was established. After many meetings and hours of discussion and work, our prayers were answered, and the work was begun on the new edifice. The completed building was dedicated on Sunday afternoon, February 20, 1955. The dedication was officiated by Dr. Hans Jersild. Our hearts were filled with joy and prayers of thanksgiving to God for all that he had made possible in North Hollywood, Calif. The church seats 460 people.

On this our Tenth Anniversary, we look ahead and hope that some day in the not too distant future our Church may be instrumental in helping to establish another mission Church to the Glory of God.

Four days, April 28 to May 1st, will be the celebration days for this tenth anniversary. The planned program will bring two guest pastors into our midst. Pastor H. Milton Peterson will bring a series of five sermons on the theme "Think On These Things."

Pastor Edwin Petrusson will give the banquet address.

St. Andrew . . .

The Example

. . . Mission On

Miller Road

By Jean Clark Kaldahl



"One of the two who heard... was Andrew, Simon Peter's brother. He first found his brother Simon and said to him, 'We have found the Messiah' . . . He brought him to Jesus." (John 1:41, 42)

Andrew of old, has given his name and his example to our Synod's newest Home Mission field.

St. Andrew Lutheran Church, 11341 Miller Road, Whittier, California, organized Sunday, March 3, 1957. On that date, God moved 82 families to affiliate with the church. This number represents 158 confirmed members and a total membership of 279.

Services Began in November

Less than seven months before organization date, in September, 1956, the pastor and his family had arrived in California. Less than five months before, November 11, 1956 the first church service was held. Even then, with the help of visitors from neighboring congregations, there was an attendance of 138. Never below 89, and as high as 283, average attendance has been 159.

Sunday School began December 2, 1956, with an enrolment of 84 children and adults. It now pauses at 175.

An open field for Christ's work has been discovered! And as always, the willing and able servants have been supplied also.

Pastor Verner N. and Mildred Carlsen brought their faith, experience, wise and patient guidance. Their children, Judy and Bill, too, brought patience and adaptability. (Their dining room is the church office

by day; their living room, often a meeting room at night.)

Among the members are outstanding leaders, resettled here, trained and shared by other churches. The major Lutheran synods have been their grounds.

Christian Spirit and Determination

More than mere numbers, all the members display a thrilling Christian spirit and determination. Benevolent giving began with the first church offering. By rotation they are now conducting an Every-Member Workday so each family may know and share in God's love.

A Church Council of nine Deacons guide policy and action. Groups organize as need and time allow.

In October, the pastor started holding young people's confirmation classes. A capable choir was ready for the first service. Luther League and the Women of the Church are busily discussing, writing, and adding to the Constitutions. A second Sunday School teachers' training course is now going on.

Folks are constantly saying, "I'd be glad to help." Folks, strangers as they meet, go away from services and meetings with new-found Christian friends—to bring still more.

Investment by Many

A large investment of time, money and prayers has been put into this mission.

The six-acre site, already with a modern home for the pastor, was possible through Church Extension. CL

sion Funds are also making possible the first unit church plant, which at this writing, is a wooden building awaiting plaster. A local Home Mission Board has worked out building details.

Though the Synod had some funds available, there was none for a pastor's salary. The people of Nazareth Lutheran Church, Cedar Falls, were led to underwrite the amount to the Home Mission Board.

The Parish Visitor was provided for three months by the Home Mission Board, and three Months by the Synod District. Her survey work has already taken her to 7,500 homes. Approximately 500 of them are on the mailing list, receiving the "St. Andrew Herald" every two weeks.

A local well-known country club, 1/2 mile from the church, has provided without rent, one of their banquet halls for Sunday School and Church Services.

One-week Lenten Services are held at the near-by Hope Evangelical and Reformed Church.

Churches, women's groups, Sunday schools, individuals—many who wish to remain un-named, have sent some gifts. Many, many prayers have been made for this mission.

We thank God for all this. We continue to pray—in the name of Christ, with the example of Andrew, that this congregation will fulfill God's Mission on our Road.

CERTAINTIES

The future stretches far beyond our sight
As here we dwell mid turbulence and strife
With groping hands and minds that reach anew
To treasure those firm certainties of life.
We know that dawn will follow every night,
We know the moon will rise and wane again.
We know that stars abound in trackless space;
And sunshine brings the rainbow after rain.
The crocuses will herald early spring;
The birds will brighten future summer hours;
We know that reaping follows sowing time,
And earth will wear its beauty and its flowers.
For this we know because the Changeless One
In patience and in love is on His throne,
And never, while the silent ages run,
Will cease to be concerned about His own.

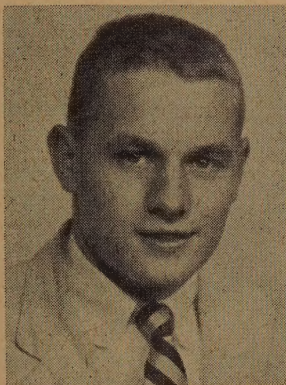
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THE WEEK AT DANA

your midcontinent college

Dana Junior Heads Thirteen-State Federation



Peter W. Smith

Midwest Federation. At the Madison meeting Governor Vernon Thomson and Senator Alexander Wiley, both of Wisconsin were featured speakers. Six students from Dana were in attendance.

Smith has been active in debate at Dana, having participated in several state meets and in a regional meet held last year at the State University of Iowa. He has also been active in campus activities and is business manager of both **Hermes**, Dana newspaper, and **The Danian**, college annual. He is a member of Trinity Lutheran Church, Westbrook, Maine. His parents are Mr. and Mrs. Waldo S. Smith, Portland, Maine, also members of Trinity Church.

Peter W. Smith, Dana College junior from Portland, Maine, was elected unanimously to be Chairman of the Midwest Federation of College Young Republicans at the Federation convention held April 5th and 6th at Madison, Wis., with the University of Wisconsin YR Club as host. The Dana student has been Chairman of the Nebraska College Young Republicans during the past year.

College and university Young Republican clubs in a thirteen state area are affiliated with the

The Future Looks Very Bright

The following is from a feature article by Robert Houston in the **Omaha World-Herald** magazine section for April 7. It is one in a series on Midwestern colleges:

The future looks very bright for Dana, one of Nebraska's older colleges. Since its founding in 1884, its growth has been steady but slow. But Dana will start bulging after the United Evangelical Lutheran Church, which has supported the college from the beginning, merges with the Evangelical Lutheran and American Lutheran Churches. This merger is expected to be consummated in 1960 or 1961. Then Dana's on-campus enrollment is expected to grow rapidly.

THE LUTHER LEAGUE

John W. Nielsen, Editor

"Don't Let Your Interest Waver"

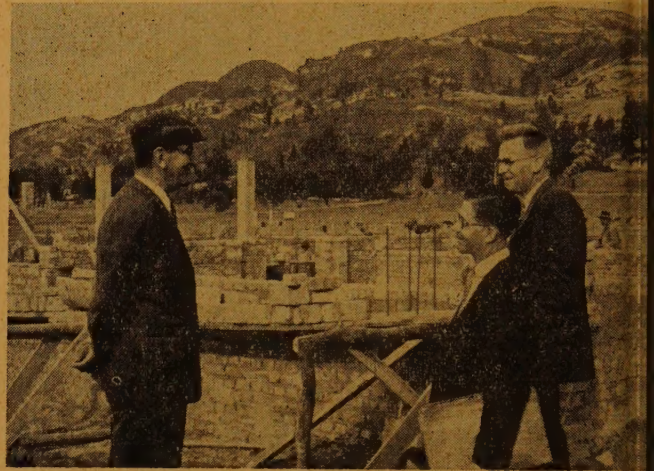
A LETTER FROM COLOMBIA

Dear Luther Leaguers,

Has a high school or college professor recently asked you to write a story on some event in your life that was outstanding and interesting enough so that others might want to hear about it? Not an easy assignment, was it? Especially if your life is routine like most everyone else's . . . and if you have no particular interest or training in journalism!

Does it seem strange to you that missionaries might find it just as difficult an "assignment" to write stories on the Work for the church papers? Actually, our life goes on month after month and year after year much the same as does yours in North America. There are differences, of course, in language, people, education, climate, culture and government, but you've heard and read about these so many times in your Social Studies books as well as the host of missionaries' articles that have gone up that way year after year that there's no use repeating. Yes, you want to know about the Work of our Church here, and we do tell you about it—in our form letters, in articles to the church papers, and in your churches when we are on furlough. Pastor Morck covered last year's activities in his Superintendent's Report in January and wrote one or two other articles at that time as well, all of which were sent in to the church papers. You must have read them by now. We get our "Ansgar Lutheran" four to six weeks after you receive your copy, so do not know when or if they have appeared.

And so I've been wondering for the past months: What can I write up that will interest our people at home enough so that they will continue to pray for and give to the work of Foreign Missions? According to a list received sometime last year, it was my "turn" to furnish an article for the March Youth Issue. I tried, and tried again. But there was nothing new or unusual that had transpired since the writing of my husband's reports a month or two earlier. However, I must try to comply with the plea sent out to all the missionaries to keep the articles coming in. And so something was typed up—but it was forced, uninteresting and unchallenging. Some days later an incident occurred that aroused my indignation and I



Missionary Morck with Pastor Julio Drozco (right) and engineer in charge of construction in Sogamoso (left).

immediately concluded: "Here's the inspiration for my article—at last!" Now I could really get across to TAL readers the need for the Gospel in Colombia. There was this, that and the other thing wrong with this country because the Gospel hadn't been preached in its truth and purity. I sat down to the typewriter and really made it purr as one "criticism" after the other found its place on the page. It turned out to be a lengthy dissertation so was laid aside to be rewritten. About a week passed before I managed to find a commitment to dedicate to the task. This was a fortunate delay for by that time the importance of the subject matter had dropped in my estimation, practically to nil. The best place to send any letter, story or article written under pressure or in a disturbed state of mind is the waste paper basket. I sent it there with hesitation.

So now, more than a month after the "dead-lily" I come to you with this lengthy explanation of why my article didn't appear under my name in the third issue of the March **Ansgar Lutheran**.

But I want to send more than an explanation. I want to include a PLEA to you young people, as well as to you older ones who read these lines, to continue praying for and giving to the work of Foreign Missions. Please don't let your interest waver simply because there are no letters, articles or pictures to keep you reminded. The Church of God is one, and reminding or no reminder, we must be faithful in prayer for the Work in every nation. We seldom if ever see articles on the progress of the Gospel in Russia, or in Denmark or in Kansas, but that in no way excuses us from praying for the Church in these places and from giving materially toward their support when such is necessary and possible.

We know that there is MOVEMENT in the Lutheran Church in Colombia although there may not be outstanding incidents to warrant the head of a mission page or even a small news item at the bottom of that page. We can report a 12% increase in church membership last year; instruction classes for new members are carried on in each of our congregations. The one in Bogota being especially large; we have primary schools in operation this year, all of them showing good attendance; the Institute continues to beckon people to come apart and study the Word as well as prepare themselves to serve in the Cause of Christ. Let their own people as teachers, evangelists or witnesses and leaders in their home congregations; we have two ordained Colombian pastors, a third will be ordained in July, three others are studying in Lutheran seminaries in Argentina and Mexico; lay members are growing in grace and in knowledge of the Word. Persecutions in the rural areas continue and in many places are forced to leave their homes and goods to seek refuge in the cities. We cannot help but marvel at their faith and pray God to bless His good work in their hearts. We pray, too, that they may not be persecuted above that which they are able to bear, but that they may rather be strengthened through these trials so that they come forth as faithful witnesses for His Name. These need your prayers, too!

We know that many of you are remembering each other in Foreign Fields in your prayers and in your gifts. Please THANK YOU and may God continue to bless you in your faithfulness!

Gratefully yours in Christ,
Mrs. Arnfeld C. Morck

YOUTH OFFICE BULLETIN BOARD

FRESNO CONVENTION BUS NEWS

Attention, Nebraska District Leaguers—and Pastors.

For information on chartered bus for your district, write at once to Pastor Vernon L. Andersen, Box 61, Hazard, Nebraska.

Wisconsin District President, Pastor Roland Hansen, reports 30 passengers signed up for that bus. They have room for 37, so you better hurry to make reservations. Bus will leave from the Milwaukee-Racine area.

Iowa District bus will leave from Atlantic, Iowa. Make your reservations now with necessary down payment by writing to Mr. Paul Rasmussen, Scranton, Iowa, Iowa District Luther League Treasurer. For other information about the bus trip, write to Iowa District Vice-President, Mr. David Larsen, Dana College, Blair, Nebraska.

Remember the June 1st deadline for registering for the convention. Send your registration with \$5.00 to Committee on Registrations, Grace Lutheran Church, 4845 East Tulare, Fresno, Calif.

NORTHFIELD LEAGUERS ATTEND "MEN FOR MINISTRY CONFERENCE"

Five high school and college leaguers from St. Peter's Lutheran Church, Northfield, Minnesota, attended the "Men for the Ministry Conference" conducted by the A. L. C. in St. Matthew's Church in St. Paul on March 23. Transportation was furnished by one of the congregation's deacons. Those in attendance were Paul Larson, Larry Nielsen, Joe Peterson, and Gary and Paul Ramsay.

CALIFORNIA—HERE WE COME

Now is the Time to Register, Pray and Prepare

Send registration together with \$5.00 (\$2.50 for leaguers from San Joaquin Valley churches, pastors, church leaders, and counselors) to: Committee on Registrations, Grace Lutheran Church, 4845 East Tulare, Fresno, California. Deadline for registration is May 25.

REGISTRATION BLANK

Name Street City State
 Grade in School Boy Girl Home telephone
 Name of Church Name of your Pastor
 Method of transportation Arriving, Date Hour
 or.... Youth Board Member.... Counselor.... Advisor.... I enclose \$.... Check.... Money Order....

INTERNATIONAL LUTHER LEAGUE CONVENTION

June 27-30, 1957

BY THE FIRESIDE

LET US ALL REJOICE

In the bonds of death he lay
Who for our offense was slain;
But the Lord is risen today,
Christ hath brought us life again,
Therefore let us all rejoice
Singing loud, with cheerful voice,
Hallelujah!

—Martin Luther

WHEN WILL HE COME

Perhaps he will come at the dawning
Of a beautiful summer day,
When the birds and flowers are
awakening
To welcome the sun's first ray.
And the Eastern sky will brighten
With the light of the dawn's ca-
ress,
And herald the swift arising
Of the "Sun of Righteousness."

Perhaps he will come at the evening,
When, weary of toil and care,
We rest and watch as the darkness
Creeps o'er the landscape fair,
And behold the stars in their beauty
Shine forth from their depths afar
But their radiance dims in the glory
Of the "Bright and Morning Star."

And perhaps he will come at mid-
night
When earth and its dwellers sleep.
When over the mountains and valleys
Broods a silence vast and deep,
And the trump of the great arch-
angel
Shall awaken the slumbers there,
And his saints will be caught up to-
gether
To meet the Lord in the air.

But whether at dawn or evening,
At midnight or sultry noon,
And whether awake or sleeping,
And the time be distant or soon;
May I live so that I shall be ready
With joy my Saviour to meet,
And feel no harm at his coming,
But hasten his heralds to greet.

—Author Not Known

EASTER

Early in the morn, ere the break of
day,
A group of women wended their way.
Solemn, and weary, and sad they
journeyed
To the tomb where the dear Lord
was buried.
Entering in, an angel sat watching
and said,
Risen, he is not here! He is living,
not dead.

EASTER IS THE ANSWER

By G. R. Saunders

"There is hope of a tree, if it be cut
down . . .," "but if a man die, shall
he live again?"

With this sobbing question the
ancients laid away their dead.

Centuries pass, and the body of a
Galilean peasant is taken from a cross
and placed in a tomb, sealed and
guarded with Roman authority. Three
days later two leaden-hearted footmen
are stopped and questioned by a
stranger about their sad countenances.
They reply, "We had hoped." It is the
same old sob. Death has struck and
hope has fled.

The stranger soon reveals Himself
as the One who had been so painstak-
ingly sealed in the tomb. The lead
falls from their hearts. Their sob
turns into a song, and two merry
racers speed to Jerusalem to tell their
glad story, and find others relating
the same joyful news. Jesus has risen.
Death and the grave have been robbed
of their victory.

The hilarious disciples rush near and
far to tell the glad tidings that the
grave is not a dead-end street, but
a through-avenue for holy persons to
the right hand of God. The earth
catches up the refrain, and now mil-
lions assemble annually, not to show
finery as accused, but to hear the glad
story of a risen Lord.

"There is hope for a tree, if it be
cut down . . .," "but if a man die, shall
he live again?" Easter is the answer.

THAT STONE

It was so great, and its dimensions
grew
Before their fears and magnifying
view;
But faith declared she has heard Jesus
say,
That mountains could be moved by
living prayer.
So they went on, not yielding to
despair.

They were so weak! What could their
hands obtain?
To move that stone, their efforts were
in vain:
The strong disciples rolled it there;
but how
Could feeble women roll it backward
now?
The men were still asleep: could these
alone
Roll from the sepulchre that hindering
stone?

And it was sealed, with the
seal:

He who dared break it, Rome's
word must feel.

And there were guards, lest any
might dare

In the dark hours of night to
there.

So once again they asked, and
went on,

"Where is the one to roll away
stone?"

The stone was great, and they
weak; what power

Could aid them in this all-imp-
hour?

When they came nearer in the
of day,

Behold the stone, already rolled.
It has been so with other stone

feared:
They have been rolled away and
has neared.

—William

EMMAUS

His eyes had altered since he'd
on death

And the mysterious secret death
closed.

His voice had changed after that
hard breath;

Its tones were in a different
transposed.

Nothing he spoke of made them
suspect

They walked with one they
along the way,

But it was late, the supper
decked,

And they must urge the strange
stay.

Something about the way he held
bread

Made them remember someone's
stretched palm

That once poured healing on the
dead,

And on the raging sea spilled a
calm.

Sudden, amazed that such a joy
be,

They knew his hands, and saw the
was he.

—Edith Lovejoy

TRIBUTE TO THE LATE HOLM (continued from page 4)

born June 20, 1865. In 1882 he immigrated to America, to Westbrook, where he lived until his death two years ago, May 3, 1955. His wife, Margrethe Dorethea Brix, led him in death in 1947. Three sons and three nephews survive. He was a market gardener until fall of 1954, when he sold his farm and settled in the city of Westbrook.

Mr. Holm was a member of Trinity Lutheran Church of Westbrook, was superintendent of the Sunday school for better than a score of years, and for many years the president of the congregation. He must have been a gentleman of deep Christian experience and conviction. The friend whose letter I cull these notes from of the many times he visited the Holm home, of how Mr. Holm freely spoke of God's goodness to him, and of his last words before closing his eyes in death, "Jesus is coming to take me home." He says further that it was one of his "earnest wishes to help spread God's word," that it was a fortunate sale of his farm which "enabled him to give this amount to Trinity Theological Seminary." The gift proved to be more than Mr. Holm himself had anticipated, and the writer comments, "now it would have pleased Mr. Holm immensely to know that you received such a large sum from God's blessing towards him while he was on earth."

We cannot thank Mr. Holm because he is no longer among us. However, we can and do thank God for His love in Him. He plants in the hearts of His people, which love moves them to give themselves and of their means to further God's cause among men. Our church and Trinity Seminary give thanks to God for such Christian men, for the life of Mr. Hans Holm. We pledge ourselves to use this in such a manner that it will in the highest possible degree serve the purpose of fitting young men to become obedient and consecrated witnesses of the Gospel, "meet for the Master's use."

Shelby, Iowa. The United Evangelical Lutheran Church, Rev. Kenneth Jensen, pastor, at Shelby will have a new church dedicated on April 28. Former pastors, Stanley L. Carlsen and Irving Tange will preach. Pres. William Larsen will officiate at the dedication, and greeting will be given by District President C. M. Beck. We shall bring a description of the church in a later issue.

Nevea, Minn., Ray Mumm, pastor. Father and son banquet was held on March 11, at which Pastor Gran- was the guest speaker. The Lenten services have been

blessed with a large attendance. The morning services are also well attended.

APPALLING CONDITIONS IN HONG KONG

"Social misery in Hong Kong is unlike anything elsewhere in the world," said the Rev. K. L. Stumpf, of the Lutheran World Service in Hong Kong speaking at recent meetings. "The flood of refugees from Communist China into Hong Kong began in 1949. In 1949, the colony had 600,000 people and today we have three million with 1,400 new births every week."

Mr. Stumpf described lack of housing as being the greatest problem. He deplored absence of planning or control in settlements for squatters and said that fires had ravaged the cardboard and plywood shacks in the Kowloon area.

100,000 people sleep in the streets at night without shelter and 60,000 children roam about in Hong Kong without parental guidance.

Water shortage is appalling. "My own family," said Mr. Stumpf, "has in dry seasons one small tub of water a day for four. With it we do all our cooking, and wash our clothes and bodies. It is inconvenient but absolutely nothing compared to some of the refugee families of eight or ten persons."

Mr. Stumpf went on to describe the medical and educational problems of the colony. He estimated that 110 bodies of T.B. victims are collected each day. "A population of three million," he affirmed, "according to European standards, should have at least 18,000 beds under normal conditions. Hong Kong has 2,000. Thirty per cent of the children in Hong Kong can go to school, but most of the Hong Kong schools are dirty little huts in dirty slum areas where the pupils have to stand all day and have no books or paper or material with which to work."

There is "bitter disillusionment among the thousands of students who have come from China and cannot be absorbed into the Hong Kong economy. 'They hate communism,' he said, 'but their hope is in democracy, in human rights and

in Christianity is crushed and they become bitterly disillusioned. Many return to China feeling that life there could not be worse than in the West."

THE GOSPEL ACCORDING TO PEALE

Dr. Norman Vincent Peale of New York, author of "Power of Positive Thinking," preached yesterday (February 17) in Los Angeles. The writer of this column, sharing in the local Lutheran Evangelism program this past week, notes the tremendous interest displayed by the people of this city and of other cities in this famous preacher. More than 5000 people tried to hear him at a single service in a church accommodating a far lesser number. In other words, the Gospel according to Peale is definitely a popular one. At the same time, some outspoken criticism of his message is also heard. One wit states the case this way: "Paul is appealing, but Peale is appalling!"

Contrasting the Peale approach with that of our Lutheran churchmen in this tremendous Los Angeles area, some marked differences are to be noted. Here more than one hundred National Lutheran Council congregations have been united in a week's intensive effort, first, to vitalize and energize the local congregation; then, to strengthen and to extend the outreach of the church in a continuing effort to win the unchurched. The results of this single campaign of one week have produced the promise of approximately 5000 new church members, some to come by baptism, some by re-affirmation of faith, but the most to join the Pastor's class and to be instructed and so prepared for reception into church membership. As spectacular and appealing as the Gospel of Dr. Peale is, your commentator feels that the slower, more thorough way of these Lutheran churches is the better one. And especially is this bound to be the case when synodical differences can be laid aside, as they have been here, in the interest of tackling the work that needs to be done in a great population center like that of Los Angeles.

ACKNOWLEDGMENTS

	Total Received	Chil- dren's Homes	School Fund	General Fund	Home Mission	Indian Mission
Previously acknowledged (April 5, 1957)	239166.55	18752.06	82586.92	31995.59	56745.66	7770.93
Ruskin, Nebr., Bethany Luth. Church	152.27					
Greenville, Mich., St. Paul's Ev. Luth. Church	370.30		155.00	67.30	78.00	
Kankakee, Ill., Trinity Luth. Church	133.00	18.00	35.00	30.00	25.00	
In memory of Ben Anderson from the Trinity Mission Circle	2.00					
From the Sunday School (Christmas money)	37.50	37.50				
Audubon, Ia., Our Sav. Ev. Luth. Church from the Danish L.A. Society in memory of Dora Erickson	5.00				5.00	
West Branch, Ia., Bethany Luth. Church	400.00	26.00		126.00	98.00	
Fresno, Calif., Bethel Ev. Luth. Church, Quota in full	286.03	8.00	153.00	34.43	72.00	
Ringsted, Ia., St. Paul's Luth. Church	5.00	5.00				
Elev. Fund, Eben Ezer, Brush, Colo., \$10						
West Branch, Ia., Bethany Luth. Church from Mr. and Mrs. N. P. Olsen	50.00			50.00		
Plainview, Nebr., Bethany Luth. Church	68.55			30.00		
Dannebrog, Nebr., Dannebrog Luth. Church from the Sunshine Circle	10.00				10.00	
Royal, Ia., Bethlehem Luth. Church	500.00	8.00	250.00	142.00		
Owatonna, Minn., Our Saviour's Luth. Church, quota paid in full	200.00				150.00	
Hartland, Wis., Our Savior's Luth. Church	300.00	24.00	126.00	30.00	63.00	
Co. Bluffs, Ia., Our Savior's Luth. Church	410.00	33.00	168.00	49.00	84.00	
From the Women of the Church	200.00	4.00	84.00	32.00	42.00	
From the Luther League	90.00		45.00			
Luck, Wis., First Eng. Ev. Luth. Church from Willing Workers in memory of Rosie Christensen and Clara Swedberg	4.00				4.00	
Omaha, Nebr., Pella Luth. Church	398.23	30.00	168.00	40.23	84.00	
Dickson, Alta., Canada, Bethany Luth. Church	303.64				153.64	
Minneapolis, Minn., From Anonymous	5.00				5.00	
Detroit, Mich., N.W. Trinity Luth. Church from the Women's Mission Guild for Ebenezer Elev. Fund, Brush, Colo., \$15						
Clinton, Wis., Pella Luth. Church	100.00	8.00	42.00	10.00	21.00	
Audubon, Iowa, Eben Ezer Luth. Church	72.90	13.90	30.00		15.00	
Sidney, Mont., Brorson Luth. Church from Mr. and Mrs. Chris W. Rasmussen in memory of their son, Glenn	50.00			50.00		
Camp Douglas, Wis., St. Stephen's Luth. Church	100.00	8.00	42.00	10.00	21.00	
Exira, Ia., Exira Luth. Church from members, in memory of Mrs. Anna Johnson, Exira, Ia.	85.50				74.50	
In memory of Mrs. Gordon Jensen	5.00				5.00	
Washington Island, Wis., Trinity Ev. Luth. Church, quota paid in full	275.00	22.00	115.00	30.00	57.00	
Westbrook, Me., Trinity Luth. Church, quota paid in full	305.31		213.00	9.81		
Castro Valley, Calif., Faith Luth. Church, quota paid in full	264.41		264.41			
Falmouth, Me., From Rev. and Mrs. John P. Magnussen in memory of Mrs. Magnussen's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Peter C. Ruder, Callender, Ia.	10.00				10.00	
Aurora, Colo., Altura, Luth. Church, quota filled	148.30	12.00	63.00	4.30	31.00	
No. Hollywood, Calif., Valley Luth. Church	5.00	5.00				
Blair, Nebr., Women's Missionary Society Synodical Treasurer:						
From the Churchwomen of First Luth., Fremont, Nebr., \$69.88, Luth. L.A., Kennard, Nebr., \$7.05 for Tabor, Utah, Parish Worker	76.93				76.93	
Silver Anniv., Nebr., Dist. W.M.S. from Churchwomen of First Luth., Fremont, \$47.70, and Luth. L.A., Kennard, Nebr., \$2	49.70		24.85		24.85	
Silver Anniv., Ill. Dist. W.M.S., from Kankakee, L.A. \$12.05; Greenville, Mich., L.A. \$28; Indianapolis, Ind., L.A. \$24; and McNabb, Ill., L.A. \$14						
Silver Anniv. from St. Paul's Miss. Society, Atlantic, Ia.	78.05		39.02		39.03	
Silver Anniv. Off., St. Mary's Luth. W.M.S., Kenosha, Wis.	115.75		57.87		57.88	
Silver Anniv. Off., From Emmaus Luth. W.M.S., Racine, Wis.	10.00		5.00		5.00	
Silver Anniv., from St. Ansgar's L.A., Montreal, Canada	25.00		12.50		12.50	
Silver Anniv. from Women's Society, Salem Church, Brooklyn, N. Y.	4.60		2.30		2.30	
Silver Anniv. from St. Paul's Miss. Society, Atlantic, Ia.	16.00		8.00		8.00	
Coulter, Ia., Nazareth Luth. Church from friends and relatives in memory of Henry C. Brown	25.00		12.50		12.50	
Chicago, Ill., from Mrs. Marius Ohlsen in memory of Mrs. J. C. Berthelsen and Mrs. I. M. Hansen	2.00				2.00	
Sidney, Mont., Pella Luth. Church	10.00					
From the Sunday School	300.00	24.00	126.00	30.00	63.00	
From friends in memory of John Gulbroa	16.21	16.21				
Neola, Ia., St. Paul's Luth. Church from Pastor and Mrs. Harry Sorensen	8.00				8.00	
Irene, So. Dak., Turkey Valley Luth. Church, quota paid in full	10.00	10.00				
Lynwood, Calif., St. Paul's Luth. Church	195.15	10.00	98.15	12.00	50.00	
Oregon, Wis., from Mrs. Marentine Hansen	1180.50	100.00	462.00	173.50	235.00	
Denver, Colo., Christ the King Luth. Church	45.00		35.00	10.00		
Blair, Nebr., First Luth. Church	85.00	7.00	35.00	10.00	17.00	
Eugene, Ore., from Mr. and Mrs. Sam Kaldahl in memory of their niece Ada Andersen, Westbrook, Me.	600.00	48.00	252.00	59.00	126.00	
Neenah, Wis., Our Savior's Luth. Church	20.00		20.00			
Blair, Nebr., First Luth. Church from anonymous	500.00		200.00	200.00		
Westby, Mont., Emmaus Luth. Church from Mr. and Mrs. N. P. Nielsen	100.00			100.00		
In memory of Mrs. Marie Bredesen	10.00		10.00			
In memory of Uncle Carl of Brooklyn, New York	10.00				10.00	
Westby, Mont., Emmaus Luth. Church from Mr. and Mrs. Lennert Hansen	18.00			8.00	10.00	
In memory of Mrs. Marie Bredesen	2.00					
Westby, Mont., Emmaus Luth. Church all in memory of Marie K. Bredesen from the Emmaus L.A.						
From Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Petersen, Westby, Mont.	5.00					
Racine, Wis., from the Danish Sewing Circle	2.00				2.00	
Selma, Calif., Pella Ev. Luth. Church	13.00				13.00	
McCabe, Mont., Ebenezer Luth. Church in memory of Mr. Walfrid Wekander, Sidney, Mont., from Mr. and Mrs. Frank Nelson	250.00		120.00		68.00	
Eugene, Ore., Emmaus Luth. Church, \$39.08 from the Ladies Aid, \$51.36 from the Sunday School; quota paid in full	5.00				5.00	
Beresford, So. Dak., Nazareth Luth. Church	195.00	3.00	96.00			
Sleepy Eye, Minn., from Minne Johansen	396.54		200.00		100.00	
McNabb, Ill., Emmaus Church	40.00	15.00	10.00		15.00	
Morgan, Minn., Bethany Luth. Church from Mr. and Mrs. H. Ostergaard of St. Cloud, Minn., in memory of James Hansen, Redwood Falls, Minn.	26.25				26.25	
	1.00				1.00	
1956-57 Budget	248975.17	19247.67	86366.52	33343.16	57844.04	7770.93
Percentages (approximate)	339317.00	19404.00	143033.00	32103.00	70662.00	7800.00
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L. MISSIONS	Foreign Missions		1956	South Amer. Mission	Japan Mission	Santal Mission	Sudan Mission	Jewish Mission	China Mission
	Total Received	(Where Most Needed)	World Action						
ly acknowledged (April 5, 1957)	23524.98	2310.61	3761.90	3821.48	3679.75	2769.65	6748.06	303.11	130.42
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y, Calif., from the Eastern Jr. Miss. Soc.	37.50		37.50						
rn, Ia., Elk Horn Luth. Church from Pastor and Mrs.	4.14				4.14				
ry N. Hansen									
l, Ia., St. Paul's Luth. Church	5.00		5.00						
memory of Mr. and Mrs. Fabricius, Falmouth, Me., \$5;	20.00			10.00			10.00		
In memory of Miss Ada Andersen, Westbrook, Me., \$5;									
and in memory of Alvin Glasnapp, Ringsted, Ia., \$5	15.00	15.00							
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Fridan Fischer, Falmouth, Me.	5.00	5.00							
ca, Wis., Trinity Luth. S. S.	50.00		50.00						
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Offering	68.84	68.84							
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Sunday School	35.00					35.00			
nger, Ia., St. Paul Luth. Church from friends and rela-									
es in memory of Mrs. George Winter	24.50	24.50							
ers, Calif., from Mr. and Mrs. L. J. Hammond	20.00			5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00		
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ociety, Calif., area of the Jewish Mission	93.00							93.00	
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Mont., Brorson Luth. Church from Mr. and Mrs. Chris									
Rasmussen in memory of their son, Glenn	50.00		50.00						
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ok, Me., Trinity Luth. Church	140.00	140.00							
sburg, Ia., from Mrs. Marie Christensen	7.00		7.00						
Nebr., Women's Missionary Society Synodical Treasurer;									
om the Churchwomen of First Luth., Fremont, Nebr., \$69.-									
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sen's salary	76.93						76.93		
onement L.A., Chicago, Ill.	5.00						5.00		
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Mrs. Lena Rasmussen	2.00			2.00					
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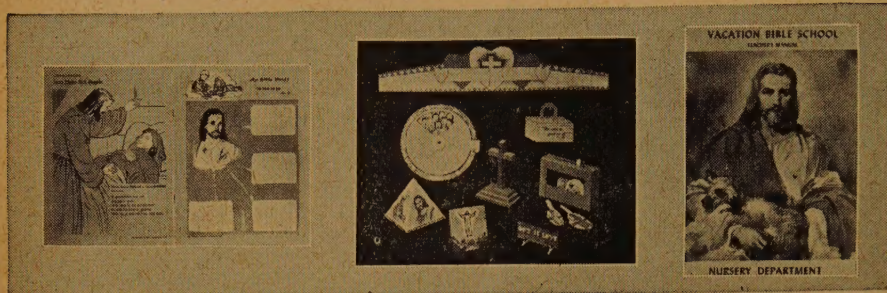
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